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SUBJECT: GOJ NAMES SHIGERU OBAYASHI NEW AMBASSADOR TO GABON

1. ON JULY 31, GOJ ANNOUNCED APPOINTMENT OF SHIGERU OBAYASHI, 60, AS NEW AMBASSADOR TO GABON. OBAYASHI'S MOST RECENT POST WAS THAT OF CONSUL GENERAL IN ISTANBUL.

2. OBAYASHI'S MOFA CAREER BEGAN IN 1936, AFTER GRADUATION FROM OSAKA UNIVERSITY OF FOREIGN STUDIES. AFTER INITIAL TRAINING IN EUROPEAN BUREAU (1937), OBAYASHI WAS SUCCESSIVELY POSTED TO ANTWERP (1937), PARIS (1939), CASABLANCA (1942), AND MADRID AND TANGIERS CONCURRENTLY (1943). AFTER WAR, LIKE MOST JAPANESE DIPLOMATS, HE WORKED IN CENTRAL LIAISON OFFICE (CONTACT POINT BETWEEN GOJ AND OCCUPATION AUTHORITIES). AFTER TWO YEARS (1951-52) IN ECONOMIC BUREAU, OBAYASHI SPENT FOUR YEARS IN SANTIAGO (1952-56). HE WAS THEN ASSIGNED TO EUROPEAN AFFAIRS BUREAU (1956-57) AND AMERICAN AFFAIRS BUREAU (1957-59). OBAYASHI WAS NEXT POSTED TO DOMINICAN REPUBLIC (CONCURRENTLY TO JAMAICA), WHERE HE BECAME FIRST SECRETARY IN 1964. RETURNING TO TOKYO IN 1965, OBAYASHI WORKED IN INFORMATION AND CULTURAL BUREAU UNTIL TRANSFER TO ISTANBUL IN 1970. HE BECAME CONSUL GENERAL THERE IN 1972.

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3. NO FURTHER PERSONAL BIODATA IS CURRENTLY AVAILABLE.

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